

## **Birth Place of Ford Automobile**

### *Michigan Theatre Building*

Address: 220 Bagley

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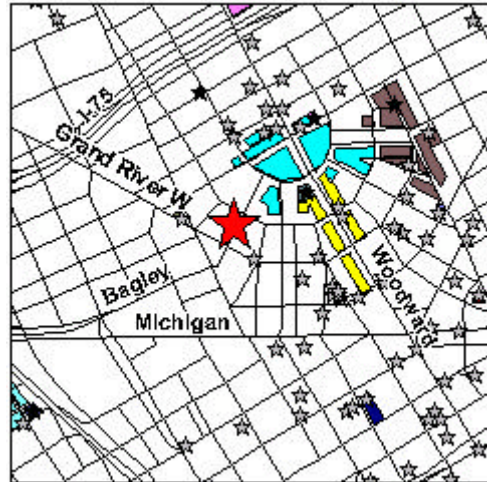
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### **Historic Overview:**

*This marker commemorates the birthplace of the Ford Motor car. Here in 1892, Henry Ford began experimenting with the motorized vehicle in his workshop, a small one-story brick structure, once located on this site. His invention was quite simple compared to today's automobiles. It consisted of a two-cylinder machine mounted in a light frame geared to bicycle wheels. That unpretentious auto was the start of the Ford Motor Company, which played a major part in the automobile industry that changed the face of Michigan and the world.*

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